

Saturday Gazette.

Bloomfield and Montclair, N. J.

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GREETING.

The Editors of the SATURDAY GAZETTE, to their respective readers in Bloomfield and Montclair, and elsewhere, greeting—We herewith place before you the first number of our Third volume, and trust its perusal will gratify you, and its indications of growth and maturity give you confidence.

We are having a few copies of the last volume bound, and will be glad to exhibit it to callers at our office after about ten days.

Our list of regular correspondents and occasional contributors is increasing, and includes some able writers. We shall spare no pains to make the present volume excel the past, and trust it will be worthy of your generous approval. Hoping you will feel some interest in the GAZETTE as your Local Journal that you will be pleased to aid in extending its circulation and usefulness, we cordially wish you, one and all, "A Happy New Year."

ANOTHER MILESTONE—1874.

During the reign of Caesar Augustus, there was set up at the head of the Roman Forum, just before the Temple of Saturn, the celebrated Milliarum Aureum, or golden milestone. From this the Romans reckoned distances not only along the city streets, but to all parts of their Empire. Stretching out from the gates lay the substantial roads that extended into every province, and these branched out to every important town. Over those solid pavements passed the massive Roman legions, marching out to gain new conquests, or returning victorious to enter their proud city in triumph. Through those gates poured incessant streams of nobles and plebeians, knights and commoners, soldiers and civilians, Greek and Roman, Jew and Gentile, bond and free. The system of these roads was so perfect, and the city from which they issued so influential throughout the world, that there arose, and has been handed down to us, the well known proverb, "All roads lead to Rome."

But a thoughtful citizen who looked away from the city, instead of towards it, would think of the regions into which those arteries ran: the vine-clad hills, fertile plains, rugged mountains, trackless deserts, with all varieties of climate, of sea and land, animal and vegetable life. No doubt, many such a moralizer as Horace, used this milestone and these roads as an emblem of human life.

Poets of all ages, and particularly the Moderns, have represented man's life as a river running to the ocean, there to be swallowed up and lost; as a flame ascending to its source, the sun—as a race course:

"Our cradle is the starting place;
In life we run the onward race,
And reach the goal.
When in the mansions of the blest,
Death leads to its eternal rest
The weary soul."

All which are beautiful and impressive; but the variety of our lives, and the uncertainty of their character and end, are more strikingly portrayed by Bunyan's allegory of a man on pilgrimage, journeying along an unknown road, which leads, he knows not whether, nor through what dangers.

In sight of the Golden Milestone we have our origin, whether in a patrician palace or the Esquiline, or a slum of the Suburra, the house of a knight, or the hovel of a slave. But we must all pass out through one of those spacious gates, and travel on into the great unknown. Along those roads stand, at the exact distance from each other, and from the Golden Milestone in the Forum, the milestones on which are inscribed, in distinct characters, the name of the road, and the distance from the city.

We have many such columns along our pathways. In youth they seem few and beautiful; we deck them with flowers, dance merrily around them, and read with care the inscriptions cut upon them in distinct characters. Farther on we pay less attention to them; and finally, when far away from our birthplace, the milestones are passed by us unnoticed, and the inscriptions are a dim, or of two little interest for us to stop and decipher them. Yet it were well for us to pay some attention to these way-marks. They often tell strange stories. Each traveler can see on them an account of his previous journey, and the lessons to be learned from it—written in characters that no one can read save himself. He may read there, at the same time, directions for future guidance.

We do not propose to write a moral to our metaphor; each traveler may draw it for himself. Another milestone has been passed—January 1, 1874.

We congratulate those who have read thereon a record of a well spent year. We share our regrets with those who can find no such inscription for themselves. To all we present our heartiest wishes for a year full of happiness. With Sir John Suckling we would say:

May we govern our passions with absolute sway,
And grow wiser and better as life wears away.

THE VERMONT.—This notorious vessel while being towed to the United States met with an ignominious fate off Cape Fear by filling and going to the bottom. There may she stay!

EDITORIAL NOTES.

We have received a number of new subscribers during the week and many renewals. We hope that all subscribers will promptly renew and hundreds of new ones be added at once. This is the best time to begin, at the commencement of the volume. The price is low, and most certainly every family, at least, should afford to do that much to encourage a good paper, and secure its permanent establishment and advantage to the town. We send out with this number a subscription bill, which, we trust, will yield fruit as abundantly desired. We cannot arrange our delivery routes till we know the residences of our subscribers.

All settled Clergymen in the County, and all Public School Teachers in the County, will be placed on our list, and will receive the paper gratuitously on sending their address.

The commuters who ride on the second morning train down, the other morning made up a purse of \$25 as a Christmas token of their regards for Mr. Jerry George, the affable and accommodating conductor of that train. It was rightly placed. We are happy to add our personal testimony to the general urbanity, manliness and intelligent capacity of all the conductors on this branch of the Morris and Essex Road.

WEEK OF PRAYER.—We publish in another column the recommendation of the Evangelical Alliance of suitable themes for each day of the Week of Prayer, beginning with Sunday, the 4th inst.

We could not learn that specific arrangements had been adopted for services in Montclair or Bloomfield, though they may have been made last evening. If so they will be announced from the pulpits to-morrow. We should think meetings for prayer, at least, should be held in some or all of the churches every evening during this week of grace and benediction.

Owing to a careless and ridiculous blunder in the little gem of a poem, entitled, "Old and New," which our compositor made last week, we reprint it on another page this week.

APPROBATORY.—We again print in another column, two commendatory letters unexpectedly but thankfully received. Our modesty shrunk from publishing this class of letters, till we noticed that many of the most well known and popular weeklies, and even the dailies, present an array of such "opinions" frequently, and there seems to be no other way of making known what our thoughtful and cultured readers think of the SATURDAY GAZETTE. So with a sunset hue upon our face we passed the letters to our compositor, and now to you, kind reader.

HOME MATTERS

BLOOMFIELD.

WEATHER.—Snow fell last Saturday to depth sufficient for respectable sleighing. Moonlight evenings add to the charms of sleigh-riding.

SIDEWALKS.—Apropos of the snow, we are happy to notice that pretty generally the walks are promptly cleared, and we have seen none more perfectly cleared than Mr. W. B. Corby's on Washington street.

MR. PERLE, of West End, deserves great credit for promptly sending out his team and snow-plow, to clear the bulk of the snow from the walks and make it easy for the shovels.

GAS.—The mouths of all are filled with praise and mutual congratulations on account of the cheery and beneficent influence of street lamps through the village. It seems but a pleasant promenade now of an evening, to walk up Bloomfield Avenue to Montclair, with gas illumination all the way, to lectures or other entertainments, or to church services. Everybody is delighted with the gas-light except the unfortunate residents on the portions which had to be omitted this year on account of the lateness of the season when the Company were ready to do it.

GREEN.—The green memories of the splendid Christmas Festival in the Presbyterian Church last week, have lost their power of exciting pleasurable emotions because the beautiful wreaths and festoons and pious mottoes with which the Church had been elaborately decorated, at much expense of time and labor on the part of Mr. Theo. Ward and his corps of faithful assistants, were ordered to be removed the following day, by the Trustees, or some one who assumed the functions of that board.

The young people of the Church and the town manifest considerable indignation at this piece of semi-vandalism. It has been usual to leave the Christmas Greens in the Churches for many weeks, not only as an indication of refined taste, but of green and precious memories of the hallowed day, and joyful occasion which prompted this method of its perpetuation. Many that visited that Church the following Sabbath were grievously disappointed at the destruction of this "thing of beauty" and taste, and of sweet and glad associations. Do not the Trustees owe it to the community to give some explanation of this seemingly strange proceeding?

In our notice, last week of the interesting exercises of the Union Temperance Society, we inadvertently omitted, in the enumeration of the several speakers, to mention the address of Mr. St. John, whose sententious and logical remarks, were received with favor and seemed to make a deep impression.

"LIGHT."—We are informed that the glass signs for street corners are to be obtained of DENZEL, at 34 Day Street, New York, but we suppose they can be had of any good sign painter.

AN INAUGURAL SERVICE of the President and Faculty of the German Theological Seminary here will be held about the middle of this month. Particulars hereafter.

DODDSTOWN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Bethel Church and Sunday School have good friends in Mr. and Mrs. Dodd. Through their liberality and personal attention, a beautiful and bountiful entertainment was prepared for children, teachers, choir and visitors. The girls in the infant department received each one a handsome and handsomely dressed doll, while to the boys were given other presents more suitable to the tastes of their sex. Brief addresses, befitting the occasion were made by officers and friends of the school. The singing and its instrumental music under the charge of the choir, assisted by friends from Orange and Watessing, added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

Among the various presentations made, were a gold watch and chain to Rev. J. H. Marr, from Mr. Calvin Dodd; a gold headed cane from the Sabbath School, to Mr. J. F. Dodd; and valuable presents from Mr. Dodd to the Pastor, Superintendent and Sexton.

For the Saturday Gazette.

MONTGOMERY, Dec. 30, 1873.

The closing of the public school at this place for the holidays on Wednesday afternoon, December 24, was of a very interesting character, consisting of recitations, dialogues, music, &c.

We were also highly honored by a visit from Mr. Kean (late Principal of the 4th Ward Grammar School, Newark), who gave us a discussion on "Old Times," which was listened to with marked attention by both pupils and parents. The affair passed off very satisfactorily. We were very glad to see the parents and friends of the school turn out on the occasion, and we are sure the Trustees would also be pleased to have them come in at any time, and see the school in operation during school hours.

It may not be amiss at this time to state that we have divine services in the school house every Sunday afternoon, commencing at 3 p. m. (conducted by Brother Pierson, of Newark). All are invited to join with us.

MONTCLAIR.

The Christmas gatherings of the Sunday Schools connected with the Churches, passed off very pleasantly. On Christmas Eve, the children connected with the Episcopal Church assembled and their hearts were made glad by the reception of a handsome present from the large tree that looked beautiful on the occasion.

In the Congregational School each scholar was presented with a miniature basket of good things, of candies, cakes, &c., and a copy of a little book containing a text for each day in the year.

In the Methodist School they were alive as usual, and made preparations to give Santa Claus a warm welcome. He actually came down the chimney to the great wonder of the children and proceeded to distribute the gifts—a good sized turkey to the Pastor and a box of nuts, apples and cakes to all. The occasion was rendered still more pleasant by the presentation of a music stand to Miss Lizzie Reed, and a handsome picture each, to Mrs. Merritt and Miss S. L. Madison. Miss Reed has very kindly given her services as organist, for almost a year, and the presentation was a recognition of a favor.

Mrs. M. and Miss M., have been very active in supplying the Church and Sunday School with flowers during the Summer and Fall. A number of teachers and scholars were also surprised by pleasant Christmas tokens.

The Charity entertainment which took place in Jacobus' Hall, on Tuesday evening passed off very pleasantly and was a success.

Robert Dolan was arrested on Sunday last, on the complaint of Charles Leist, for disturbing the peace of the neighborhood. He was intoxicated and very violent, and threatened to destroy life and property. Mr. Dolan then made a charge against Mr. Leist, for selling him the liquor on Sunday. Dolan was fined \$25 and costs. The case of Mr. Leist has not yet been disposed of.

Patrick Brennan who has lately opened a bar saloon, had a similar trouble with Michael Cannanmum. Mr. C. made the same charge against Mr. B. The trial came off on Tuesday and Justice Martin reserved his decision until next week.

The Clark Rink, near Watchung station, was opened to skaters on Christmas day. Some 150 persons visited it and there was a gala occasion. Our reporter counted 35 carriages there in the forenoon. The day was splendid, the ice was smooth but not thick enough to warrant illimitable numbers. At noon it was deemed best to take down the flag. This opening was a perfect success and gave entire satisfaction.

Rev. Dr. Magoon preached last Sabbath evening in the Congregational church, a most earnest and impressive revival sermon. A portion addressed to wives of unconverted husbands was tender and eloquent.

The scholars of the Public School gave a very pleasant entertainment on Wednesday, December 24th, it being the close of the school for the holidays. Exercises consisting of speaking, &c., were introduced, and they were rendered still more pleasant by the presentation of a copy of Shakespeare's works to Miss Boyce, and a handsome Writing Desk to Miss Boyce, by their respective classes.

Mr. Lathrop L. Sturges, another of the old merchants of New York, died on the 17th ult. He was one of the original partners in the firm of Sturges, Clearman & Co.

LETTER FROM TRUSTEES OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

PUBLISHED BY REQUEST OF THE TRUSTEES.

MONTCLAIR DEC. 10th, 1873.—To E. L. ROBERTS Esq.—The undersigned Trustees of the First Congregational Society of Montclair, in cancelling the nominal debt to you for professional services, as architect of their church, just completed, cannot feel that their whole duty is discharged until they have given you the assurance of their entire satisfaction in the service you have rendered. The confidence in your ability, which first induced them to seek your services, has been constantly increasing as the work has advanced until the perfection which is now stamped upon every part of this creation of your skill, demands their unqualified approbation. We can say truthfully there is no error of judgment, or of taste which we would correct, nor is anything left to be desired in the beautiful church you designed for us; and in saying this we speak not only for ourselves, but give expression to the general opinion of all observers. We feel sincerely grateful for the untiring fidelity with which you have watched every step in the progress of this work, and for the skillful and competent men who were selected on your recommendation as the builders. It is remarkable that in the whole history of this enterprise nothing has occurred in our relations with you or with any of the contractors to mar our complete satisfaction, and in parting with you, and with them, we desire to express to you both our sincere thanks for the past, and our kindest wishes for the future.

Respectfully yours,

JULIUS H. PRATT.

N. T. PORTER.

EDWARD SWEET.

C. H. JOHNSON.

SAMUEL WILDE.

Trustees.

APPROBATORY.

EAST ORANGE, Dec. 27, 1873.

MR. LYON: Allow me to add my mite of approbation respecting the GAZETTE.

I think it can boldly challenge any limited local paper in the country for especial interest to the peoples it professes to interest itself for. And what wonder that its columns should be instinct with the thought of its constituency, when that constituency is probably the most cultivated and appreciative of any rural population of equal number in the land.

It is a cause for wonder to me that every family in its vicinity does not subscribe. But, hoping the new year will so demonstrate its usefulness to the peoples of Bloomfield and Montclair that they will recognize it in the only substantial way to its editor's encouragement, I remain, wishing you a very happy New Year personally.

Very respectfully,

H. C.

BLOOMFIELD, Dec. 28, 1873.

MR. LYON: Dear Sir—It gives me great pleasure, at this time, to offer a word of commendation of the GAZETTE, and of the spirit in which you conduct it. We look forward towards its weekly visits with no little interest, and with anticipated pleasure which, (and I speak truly), has never been disappointed.

I can hardly tell you in which part I find the most pleasure, for I read it all, nor do I grudge the time it takes me. I have heard some of our folks speak approvingly of H. C.'s writings and there has indeed been a great deal of sweetness in them.

I call to mind an editorial article which appeared at some little time past, on the subject of the twenty-first birthday—the young man reaching his majority; another article on true manhood; another on Christmas, &c. Such sir, is the kind of food that the growing minds of our youth need. It invigorates and nourishes, and strengthens the intellect. It induces in the mind a better tone and excites desires for purity of thought, of acts, of life.

Feeling assured that the GAZETTE must win its way to the hearts of the people, it so creditably represents, I close wishing you a Happy New Year and the GAZETTE a glorious future. Your SINCERE FRIEND.

VERONA, N. J., Dec. 25, 1873.

EDITOR OF GAZETTE: Dear Sir, I send you herewith a copy of what for some years, has appeared to me, to be a perfect gem of a poem. I do not know the name of the author. If you do, please supply it. If you have a place in your columns for the verses, I am sure they will be read with pleasure by many. Yours truly, E. V. B.

The Golden Side.

1. There is many a rest in the road of life, If we would only stop to take it; And many a tone from the better land, If the anxious heart would make it! To the sunny soil that is full of hope And whose beautiful truth never fails; Though the sea is green and the flowers are bright, Though the winter storm prevail.

2. Better to hope, though the clouds hang low, And to keep the eyes still lifted, For the sweet blue sky will soon peep through, When the ominous clouds are lifted! There was never a night witho' it a day, Or an evening without a morning; And the best of hours, as the proverb goes, Is the hour before the dawning.

3. There is many a gem in the path of life, Which we pass in our idle pleasure, Which is richer far than the jeweled crown, Or the miser's hoard and treasure— It may be the love of a little child, Or a mother's prayers to heaven, Or only a beggar's grateful thanks For a cup of water given.

4. Better to wear in the cloak of life A bright and golden lining And to do God's will with a ready heart And hands that are ready and willing— Than to snare the delicate minute threads Of our curious lives and wander, And then be blamed for the tangled end, And sit and wonder and—

RIDGEWOOD.

EDITOR OF SATURDAY GAZETTE.—DEAR SIR—Did it ever occur to you when listening to the expressions of pardonable pride which fall from the lips of Montclair-ites upon every occasion, when the beauties of their highly favored location are under discussion and when they are "looking down" upon Bloomfield metaphorically, as they are enabled to do actually, that there is a portion of our beautiful Bloomfield that overlooks Montclair and that rivals that much vaunted Township, and may well contest with her the supremacy that she so boldly claims. If visitors to Montclair should fail to be impressed with anything enroute before, they would surely find their emotional thermometer rising, when with an artist's eye they should mark the picturesque wildness of the cut through which the Bloomfield railroad passes at Ridgewood. The splendid possibilities of which that romantic glen is capable, is readily perceived. Before them, northward, lie the ever attractive Orange Mountains, promising them visions which, from some points, can scarcely be surpassed for loveliness, extent and variety.

Visitors to Bloomfield would find in its quiet homelike appearance, its well shaded streets, and its many substantial improvements, sufficient to interest and charm them into remaining to enjoy its beautiful scenery and its cultured society, with little disposition to seek elsewhere, in search of greater attractions, or even for the more brilliant promises of Montclair. As Ridgewood is, in a sense, isolated from either, though belonging largely within the limits of Bloomfield Township, it appears to be comparatively unknown, even to many of the residents of both, and yet it repays the lover of nature, whether resident or visitor, to ride or ramble in the directions that may be indicated. Taking the Ridgewood Depot as the starting point and going westward toward Orange, is a section of the country unsurpassed in the attractions that it offers for a rural home, elevated but beautifully sloping towards the south.

From any point on Ridgewood Avenue, there is an unbroken view over Bloomfield, Newark and the intervening towns to the Bergen Hills and beyond to Staten Island and Long Island. The northerly view is at present obstructed by the woods, but when they shall have been cleared away it will be seen that this location is a ridge sloping also towards Montclair and laying higher than one half of the settled portion of that town, and affording a commanding view of it, the mountains beyond—glimpses only of which can now be obtained. Taking the same starting point and going eastward through the deep cut, just made, which opens Ridgewood Ave., you will pass on your right, the Cemetery.

Just beyond this, the road swings to the north, and as it skirts the hills, overhanging Bloomfield, affords beautiful vistas scarcely bounded by anything save the limits of one's vision. Having reached the vicinity of Chestnut Hill Station, at the Montclair Railroad, turn Westward and as you approach the mountains and see it and the town of Montclair before you, gradually ascending till you reach about the junction of Midland and Highland Avenues, you will again find yourself on the crown of a low ridge and commanding a view in all directions, and also find yourself above one-half of Montclair.

If you then return by Highland Avenue, southward and westward to the turnpike, and thence to your starting-point you will find yourself amply repaid for your journey and be convinced that Bloomfield can make some claim to overlook Montclair.

It would be wisdom on the part of our Town Committee, when planning improvement, if they would not overlook Ridgewood quite as much as they have done heretofore, for if any one was to attempt the journey on foot, that I have indicated, at this season, they would doubtless be discouraged by the depth of the mud below the Depot, and the Telford pavement on the Turnpike.

RIDGEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 9, 1873.

NEWS ITEMS.

The Essex County Road Board of 1873 held its final session on Monday. The new board—three Republicans and two Democrats—will organize on Monday next.

Recent burglaries in Orange has induced the authorities to increase the number of policemen.

The total number of hogs packed in St. Louis since Nov. 1st, is 260,000. In Chicago for the same time, 990,000.

Factories that had suspended on account of the late financial panic have generally resumed operations and are running full time.

Governor Booth, the anti-railroad candidate, was on Saturday elected to the United States Senate from California. Gov. Booth is regarded as a man of marked ability and of incorruptible integrity. There had been great opposition to his election on the part of the monopolists.

The wife of Alexander Agassiz, son of the late professor, died on Monday night, in Boston, of pneumonia, superinduced by fatigue in attendance upon her father-in-law during his illness. Mrs. Agassiz was the daughter of the late G. Russell, and granddaughter of the late Robert G. Shaw, of Boston. She was a lady of remarkable worth and culture, and her general presence will be missed from a wide social and literary circle.

EPISCOPALIAN CHURCHES IN THE U. S.—Dioceses, 41; Bishops, 52; other Clergy, 8,043; churches consecrated, 66; baptisms, 36,944; confirmations, 23,515; communicants, 260,000; contributions, \$7,816,149; clergy deceased during the year, bishops, 2; other clergy, 34.

The total number of deaths in New York City, during 1873, is slightly over 29,000, which is 3,000 less than last year. This is equal to a death rate of 20 per 1000, per annum.

The Hon. John M. Parker, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, died suddenly of apoplexy at his residence in Oswego, on the 16th inst. He served in Congress four years and was elected to the Supreme Court by the Republicans in 1859 and re-elected in 1867. His term would have expired in 1875.

On Wednesday of last week, 1,900 passengers were conveyed over the Midland Railroad, which speaks well for the new management. The increased number of trains and the regularly with which they are running is gaining new friends and patronage every day.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

JANUARY 4—11, 1874.

The American Evangelical Alliance suggest the following as a suitable plan for the observance of the Week of Prayer throughout the United States.

Sunday, Jan. 4: SERMONS.—The unity of the Christian Church; the real oneness of all true believers; hindrances and motives to union; the blessings to be hoped for from the union of believers in prayer.

Monday, Jan. 5: CONFESSION.—Our common unworthiness and guilt.

THANKSGIVING.—For national domestic and personal mercies, temporal and spiritual.

SUPPLICATION.—For special blessings on the Week of Prayer.

Tuesday, Jan. 6: PRAYER.—For the Christian Church; for her increase in faith, holiness and love; for persecuted and suffering Christians; for Christian liberty; and for the more abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Wednesday, Jan. 7: PRAYER FOR FAMILIES.—Home and parental influence; sons and daughters; the absent, the sick, the erring; inmates of prisons; all educational institutions.

Thursday, Jan. 8: PRAYER FOR NATIONS.—For peace among men; for public virtue and righteousness; for the banishment of intemperance, dishonesty, and superstition; and for the diffusion of pure and Christian literature.

Friday, Jan. 9: PRAYER.—For the evangelization of all nominally Christian countries; for the conversion of Israel; for seamen; for missionaries; for the spread of the Gospel in Mohammedan and heathen countries; for the conversion of the world to Christ.

Saturday, Jan. 10: PRAYER.—For the Christian Ministry; for Sunday-schools for Revivals.

Sunday, January 11: SERMONS.—Subject: Christ's Kingdom universal and everlasting.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.—An application will be made at the next session of the Legislature to permit the legal voters of the Township of Bloomfield, to vote upon the question of license at the Spring election.

Bloomfield, Dec. 22, 1873. dec-27-w.

TAX NOTICE.—Delinquent tax payers in Montclair Township are hereby notified that all arrears should be paid immediately.

The Collector has pressing demand to meet, and without prompt payment it is impossible for him to meet them. He will receive taxes at the Town Committee's room on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays, from 8 o'clock past 10 o'clock a. m., or at his residence daily.

E. C. FULLER, Collector.

CITIZEN'S PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION. Members of this Association, desirous of continuing their membership for the ensuing year, must please remit the amount of annual fees, \$1, to the Treasurer, J. F. Jones, on or before January 1st, 1874.

Others desirous of connecting themselves with the Association can do so by sending their names and subscriptions to either the Secretary or Treasurer.

C. H. NASH, Sec'y.

Dec-30-2.

C. F. & B. BURNETT, DEALERS IN RAW FURS.

10 & 17 ACADEMY STREET, NEWARK, N. J.

Write for Price List.

NEW GROCERY STORE.

MARTIN BROTHERS, Have opened a store at THE CENTRE which they are stocking up with entirely new and choice goods, fresh from New York. Selected with care among the best houses, and purchased at the lowest rates for cash. We intend to keep the best of everything in the Grocery and Provision line for family use. Also Grain and Feed. We do not propose to advertise specified prices, but would invite the house-keepers of Bloomfield and vicinity, to call and test our prices and quality. We can stand to sell at as small profits as any one can, and we hope by fair and honorable dealing to build up a permanent business.

MARTIN BROTHERS, Bloomfield.

FRANKLIN.

FRANKLIN COURSE OF LECTURES.

TO BE HELD IN THE Reformed Church at Franklin, N. J.

SEASON TICKETS, \$1 25.

Monday, Dec. 15, by J. BRECKENHOFF, Esq. Subject—"The Olden Time."

Monday, Dec. 22, by BOB VOHRES. Subject—"Dignity of Labor."

Monday, Jan. 5th by Rev. Dr. S. LOCKWOOD. Subject—"The Natural History of the Oyster."

Monday, Jan. 19, by Rev. W. W. HOLLOWAY. Subject—"Sunshine and Shadow."

Monday, Jan. 26 by Rev. Dr. G. TALMAGE. Subject—"Lubricating Oil."

Feb. 2nd, 1874, Hon. ALFRED REED. Subject—Lawyers.

EDWARD MADISON, JACOBUS BUILDING.

Would call your attention to his stock of Health Goods, consisting of—

Juvenile and Miscellaneous Books, Fine Stationery, Writing Desks, Port Folios, Pocket Knives, Bibles, Prayer and Hymn Books, Pictures and Frames, Toys, Games, Puzzles. A great variety of articles for the Holidays—all at reasonable prices. Call and inspect my stock.